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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) the salient features and objectives of the National Health Mission (NHM);

(b) whether the Government has failed to achieve its objectives and targets under NHM and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the Government has conducted evaluation of various
programmes running under the NHM and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
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(a): The National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) was launched in 2005 to improve the healthcare services, particularly in rural areas. NRHM has since been subsumed as a Sub Mission of the overarching National Health Mission (NHM) with the National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) as the other Sub Mission. NUHM aims at providing equitable and quality primary health care services to the urban population with special focus on slum and vulnerable sections of the Society. Under NHM, support to States/UTs is provided for five key programmatic components:
(i) Health Systems Strengthening including infrastructure, human resource, drugs & equipment, ambulances, MMUs, ASHAs etc under NRHM and NUHM.

(ii) Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health Services (RMNCH + A)

(iii) Communicable Disease Control Programmes.

(iv) Non-Communicable Diseases Control Programme interventions upto District Hospital level.

(v) Infrastructure Maintenance- to support salary of ANMs and LHVs etc.

The objectives of NRHM are as summarised as under:
i. Reduction in child and maternal mortality
ii. Prevention and control of communicable and non-communicable diseases, including locally endemic diseases.
iii. Access to integrated comprehensive primary health care.
iv. Population stabilisation, gender and demographic balance.
v. Revitalize local health traditions & mainstream AYUSH.
vi. Universal access to public services for food and nutrition, sanitation and hygiene and universal access to public health care services with emphasis on services addressing women's and children's health and universal immunisation.
vii. Promotion of healthy life styles.

(b): NHM did not achieve the 11th Plan targets of Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR), Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) and Total Fertility Rate (TFR). However, the NHM has been successful in accelerating the rate of decline of Under 5 Mortality Rate (U5MR), MMR IMR and TFR. It has also achieved most of the disease control targets.

(c): The implementation of NRHM is reviewed through external surveys such as National Family Health Survey (NFHS), District Level Household Survey (DLHS), Annual Health Survey (AHS) and Sample Registration System (SRS). NFHS-4 Survey is presently ongoing. Institute of Economic Growth conducted an evaluation of NRHM on behalf of the Planning Commission. Further, Common Review Missions (CRMs) also undertake a review of NRHM/NHM every year. The information is available in public domain as under:

DLHS 4: https://nrhm-mis.nic.in/SitePages/DLHS-4.aspx

AHS:http://www.censusindia.gov.in/vital_statistics/AHS
SRS:http://www.censusindia.gov.in/vital_statistics/SRS _Report_2012/1_Contents_2012.pdf
Evaluation of NRHM: Institute of Economic Growth:http://planningcommission.nic.in/report/peoreport/peoevalu/peo 2807.pdf
CRM reports: http://nrhm.gov.in/monitoring/common-review-mission/7th-common-review-mission.html

A summary of observations of the Common Review Missions and the external evaluation by the Institute of Economic growth is at Annexure.